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**I made this leg all by myself — with my thing maker and five gallons of plastigoop.**

**For more scenes of Legs on Campus, turn to page 6.**

## Miss Walters Commencement Speaker

COLUMBUS, O. — NBC's Barbara Walters, selected this month by a national magazine as the only television personality among America's 75 most important women, will be the speaker for Ohio State University's winter quarter commencement March 19 in St. John Arena.

Some 1,400 students will receive degrees during the 9:30 a.m. exercises.

Seen daily on the National Broadcasting Company's "Today" show, Miss Walters will be the second woman to address an Ohio State graduation ceremony. The first was the late Dr. Viva Boothe, who spoke to the graduating class on Dec. 21, 1939. Dr. Boothe was director of the University's Bureau of Business Research from 1941-63.

## A ONE-TO-ONE PROGRAM TO HELP EVERYONE

"A one-to-one program designed to help little black children and big tutors," is the description Dr. Coats gives the Blanche tutoring program.

Blanche is an area of extreme poverty. About four years ago, Mrs. Booker opened the basement of a dingy old church as a place for the little children to go after school. Last year Denison students went out there to tutor these children and did a fine job. But this year when the little kids would come after school, no one would be there to tutor them.

A problem had developed at Denison. After last Spring's disturbance at Denison, the Black students asked that the tutoring program be handed over to them. The white students backed out to let them take over. This fall, though, the number of Black students at Denison was lower than expected and those on campus were busy with political activities. Thus they did not show up to tutor.

Learning that there were no tutors for the children, Dr. Coats appealed to O.S.U.-Newark students to go out to Blanche. The response was shocking; about ten per cent of the total student body signed up to go. These students then started going regularly and faithfully.

However, another problem de-

veloped. At Denison, the Black students dropped the program and the white students started going out to Blanche. Often when O.S.U. Newark students would go out, there would be too many tutors for the kids. Due to this discouragement and the poor weather, the program is progressing slowly this quarter. Denison students have again stopped going, and now the children are left with very few tutors. Several times tutors have had five to seven students in their group.

Dr. Coats thinks the program is picking up now with about four students going every day, but he encourages more students to come. He points out to those discouraged last quarter that it is (continued on page 6)

## Kilpatrick Fund Near Completion

So far, the William Allan Kilpatrick Fund stands at a total of \$756.72. Some organizations have not yet contributed their \$25.00, and more individual donations are expected to be coming in. If all goes well, the Fund has a chance of reaching \$1000, or close to it; thanks to all who have been generous enough with time, money and encouragement the Fund is already a big success.

According to the outline for the William Allan Kilpatrick Outstanding Student Award, nominations for the outstanding student at Newark Campus will be held the second week of Spring Quarter, therefore, everyone at Newark Campus is encouraged to begin thinking of possible candidates for the award. The complete details for the award should be finalized the middle of this quarter so arrangements can be made for the nomination and selection of the recipient Spring Quarter.

So far, a plaque has been pur-

chased which will upon arrival be placed in the Administration Office. This plaque will bear the names of the recipients each year the award is presented. Exactly how much and what the recipient of the Award will receive is currently being decided, and as soon as the plans have been finalized they will be publicized.

Anyone wishing to donate to the Award Fund may still do so, and is certainly encouraged to. Possibilities of placing jars at various locations around the campus for loose coins to grow into a meaningful amount for a worthwhile and memorable project are being considered.

More details concerning the William Allan Kilpatrick Outstanding Student Award Fund will be announced at a later date. Anyone still wishing to contribute to the Fund may give their donations either to Mr. McCaughy in the Administration Office or to Kathy Strohl.



## All the People, All the Time

### An Editorial

There has been a great deal of criticism of the *Oracle*. Many of the criticisms are valid, and the staff has tried to meet student and faculty suggestions. Some people believe the paper should widen its scope to include noncampus events. To meet this demand, we have begun to carry Inter-Collegiate press releases and columns written by Dick Gregory. Predictably, these additions lead to the complaint that we are no longer concerned with campus activities. The *Oracle* has been called "a gossip sheet for the organizations," so we began to print essays and poetry written by students. What else? Some of you students have complained that these are not "relevant."

We are reasonably realistic: we don't expect every student to enjoy every article. We do not even expect all of the students to like any portion of the *Oracle*.

If a student believes we are neglecting some topic of interest to the other students, he has the right to suggest it to the *Oracle* staff. But there is always a catch-22: the same student also has a duty to help us. One student contributes columns presenting the conservative view of current national issues. No one has accepted our invitation to offer the liberal views of the issues. The *Oracle* is not attempting to be a conservative paper. The frequently conservative tone merely reflects the absence of available liberal material from the student body or the faculty. Our staff is relatively small. We simply do not have the time to refute every article in order to present a balanced view.

Once again we of the *Oracle* staff invite students, instructors, and administrators to contribute articles, essays, poetry, or letters to the editor. In other words, *friends*, put up or shut up.

—Editor

## The Breaking of a President, 1972

It now appears that Senator Ted Kennedy's hopes for attaining the Presidency have failed him. To be sure, the events surrounding the Chappaquiddick scandal were damning, but they need not have been fatal. For too long, Kennedy had theorized that his stepping stone to the Presidency (as well as the eventual fall of the Nixon Regime) was his ability to maintain his tenuous grasp on the Majority Whip position. No, he would not commit himself to a Presidential race; he would however watch the primary battle and if no victor emerged, there is no doubt that he would have made his move at the convention. With his powerful seat gone, the "secret" Kennedy plan is just another dream of what could have been.

There is no doubt that the people in the Muskie camp consider

Kennedy's setback a cause for rejoicing, and it is equally assured that Trickle Dickie and his friend Spiggy Agnew will manage to get a lot of political mileage from this, also. But then, what can you expect in a government where decisions and politics are determined by political chieftains and party pap, rather than the people? The Republicans hated Kennedy for his Kennedy name as much as anything else, and he hadn't exactly treated some of his less liberal colleagues in his own party with the customary social graces. All indications are that Ted Kennedy's next move as Senator from Massachusetts will make or break his brilliant career altogether, as well as make or break whatever chances Muskie or McGovern hold at winning the Presidential nod.

—Buzz Arnold

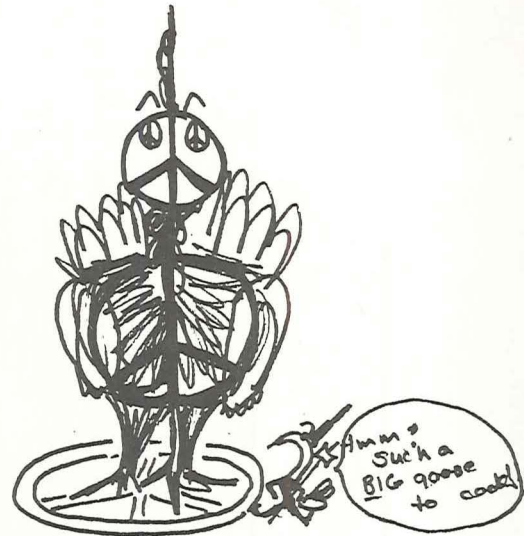
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## The Light Side; The Dark Side



This column looks ahead to '71. Let me offer a few observations in the form of predictions as to what we can expect during the New Year.

I personally feel that 1971 will be a year during which poor people and downtrodden people fare better than ever before. At least they will be really noticed for the first time. The reason is simple. There will be more people on their side. The way things are going with the economy, there will be people missing meals in 1971 who never missed a meal before.

President Nixon's real downfall began with the handling of the Supreme Court vacancy — the Carswell and Haynesworth appointments — and the decline reached its completion in a devastated economy. Things are bad and more and more people are realizing that sad fact from first hand experience. The "good old days" are back and now nobody wants them. And that can only mean the alienation of white folks. Talk of a depression doesn't mean anything to black folks. We never came out of the last one! During 1971 it will become more and more apparent that when things get bad, people swing left.

All of which means, of course, that the possibility of civil turmoil at home looms ever and ever larger. If the government does not

seriously and immediately address itself to the increasing economic crisis, we can expect to see a reenactment of Poland's December worker rebellions in the streets of America.

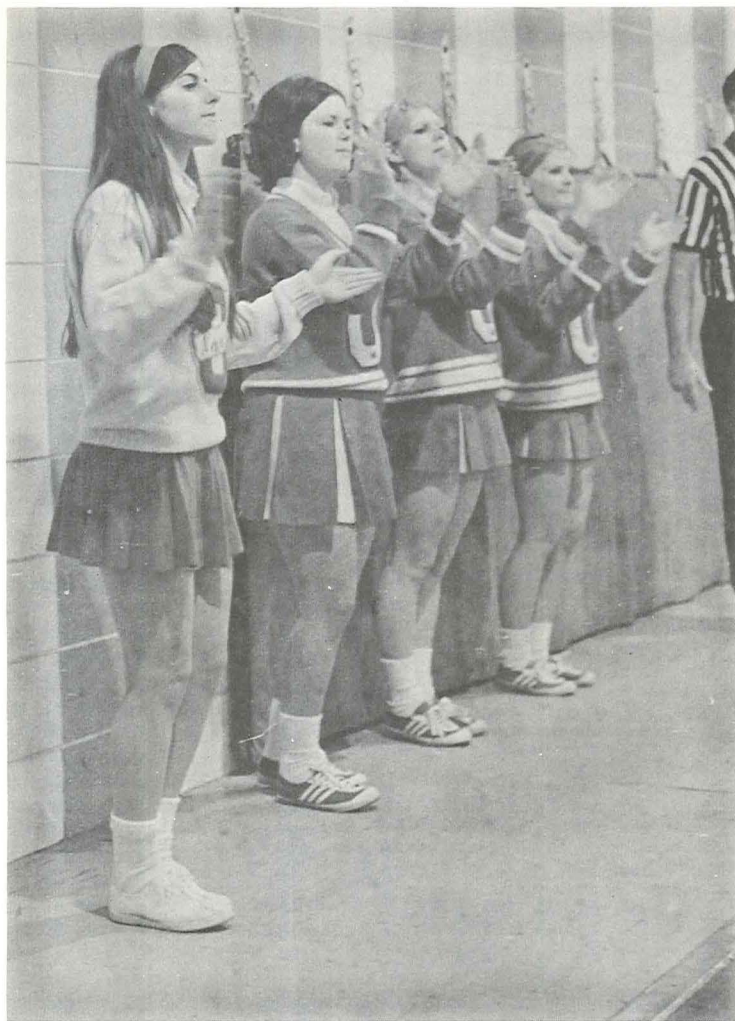
Racial war is a real possibility for 1971. Not in the streets of America so much as within the ranks of the military itself. There are deep racial antagonisms within America's military ranks and they are becoming increasingly worse. If the military does not take dramatic action to heal racial wounds, there is a real possibility of battle front shootouts not directed toward the so-called "enemy."

I also believe that we can expect a year of natural disasters; a year during which man feels the full force of nature's judgment and reaction. It should be a big year for tornadoes, floods, hurricanes and the like. Man's abuse of nature has reached the outer limits of toleration. Nature must strike back. And if nature unleashes the full brunt of her unique weaponry, ecology commercials on television become quite irrelevant.

On the more positive side, I predict a decrease in the use of drugs and hard narcotics among the nation's youth. The decrease will be the result of a change in the national attitude toward the

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## UNIVERSAL GOOD AND EVIL

by DENNIS ANDREWS

Good and evil exist in some form everywhere. They have existed from before recorded history and shall inevitably exist in the future. Throughout the ages many men have presented many ideas about the origins and causes of good and evil in the world. One of the most popular methods of doing this was to write a story centered around a quest. The interrelationship and conflicts of good and evil are bound to play a major part in any story that uses quest as a basis. *The Lord of The Rings* by J. R. R. Tolkien is a story of this type.<sup>1</sup> Through the use of Christian theological overtones, J. R. R. Tolkien discusses the various relationships of good and evil concluding with the ultimate good winning out over evil.

Almost every discussion of good and evil ends up with religious overtones. This is to be expected. The very nature of the Christian religion embodies the concepts of good and evil so completely that it can almost be wholly expressed as the worship of good over evil. Consciously and/or unconsciously this Christian idea filters into much of what is written in the Christian world. Tolkien uses many examples of the Christian symbols for good and evil in *The Lord of the Rings*.

Tolkien's method of presenting these symbols is quite unique. Nowhere in the story is there a direct reference to either a deity or a religion yet Tolkien conveys these symbols unmistakably.<sup>2</sup> Only once is there any hint that there might

be any superior beings at work at all; in Book I, when Gandalf is explaining the history of the Ring to Frodo, he states:

"Behind that there was something else at work, beyond any design of the Ring-maker. I can put it no plainer than by saying that Bilbo was *meant* to find the Ring and *not* by its maker. In which case you were *meant* to have it."

Tolkien does mention a seemingly all-powerful being of pure and good in the appendixes during a historical commentary on Middle-Earth; "... The Valar ... called upon the One, and the

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## Back to Olde New England

Welcoming everyone to the Ten Evenings on Campus program, Dr. Lee St. John gave a short introduction to the guest speaker for the evening. Dr. Ray Ludwigson, a past college teacher and president, had mixed his background and his experience in his hobby of photography to produce a very artistic art-form travelogue. Together with a system of three projectors and three screens, plus a most informative and musical recording, the picturesque countryside of New England came to life. With the brief invitation, "I would now like for all of you to come with me to Olde New England," Dr. Ludwigson immediately started his audience on a scenic trip throughout the New England countryside.

The first view of New England was of the panoramic fall countryside where all the foliage had "exploded into a fantasy of color." Mere sight of such beauty could only provoke feelings of reverence and awe for nature in all its glory. Stone fences, village greens, and the sound of hoof beats on a cobblestone street brought the American Revolution to life before the audience. Commencing from the earliest settlements in 1620 at Plymouth Rock, a cry of independence and freedom was now in the air. Pictures of historic places throughout New England focused everyone's attention on the history of the place. Past the village green of Lexington, from the tower of the Old North Church and on to Fort Ticonderoga where Ethan and his Green Mountain Boys made their stand, and coming to rest at Independence Hall, the colonists fought and won for what they believed.

Hawthorne's House of Seven Gables ... Salem ... sights and places which sharply ring a bell to us ... Yes, it was here in New England that hysteria spread throughout the countryside and the 17th century New England witch trails and burnings left their scars in the history of the area.

It was there, in New England

that our nation saw the first genuine concern for higher education take root. In 1636, Harvard College was founded; and better still in 1647 a law was passed requiring that all towns of 50 or more people had to have a public school. New England not only made its contributions to the educational field, but it also did its part in the economic and industrial development of our nation. Some of the largest fisheries in America can be found in the Cape Cod region of Massachusetts; it was in New England that the famous Sandwich glass formula was born and lost. Vermont is credited with the largest granite quarries in the world, and also adds its touch on many American breakfast tables in the form of sweet, maple syrup dripping off a stack of pancakes.

Dr. Ludwigson indeed captured the spirit and beauty of New England. Without a doubt, the brilliant colors arrayed before the audience in views of the fall countryside with its lofty mountains, sturdy covered bridges, and old mills really made one feel as if he were there ... ambling along the country lanes, running through the wildflowers on the mountains, sit-

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Mr. Georges Ganansia and his wife Marie-France are the new proud parents of their first born son, named Paul Joseph. The young fellow made his debut at University Hospital at 10:13 A.M. on January 12 1971. He set a fine record at 20½ inches in height and weighed in at 7 pounds, 13½ ounces. The ORACLE staff extends its congratulations to the happy papa.



## (DICK GREGORY continued)

narcotics problem. Heretofore, talk about the narcotics problem has been based on ignorance and scare tactics. Young people have no respect for ignorance and they are hard to scare.

For the first time we are beginning to see solid scientific research concerning narcotics. Government documents are beginning to appear which lay the facts on the line scientifically rather than dramatically with the intent to scare the potential user. And that is the only way to approach the youth of America today. They have a deep respect for the truth and they will respond to carefully documented scientific research as quickly as they reject fear and ignorance.

Let me close with a reminder and a possible prediction. About a year ago, I devoted a column to the Army's surveillance of civilians. Since that time the issue has been raised in Congress and the national press. Recently some of the former Army intelligence agents now in civilian life came forward to speak of their former activities. Senator Sam Ervin's Subcommittee on Constitutional Rights has amassed evidence which moves beyond Army snooping and divulges the extensive "security" files of the Civil Service Commission—files that include some 15 million names.

Not so long ago, democracy fell in Greece and a military takeover was effected in a matter of a few hours. It seemed incredible that such a takeover could in so short a time and with such minimal resistance. But it is not at all incredible. For many years military leaders of Greece had been keeping extensive files on the activities and political leanings of private citizens. With such information on hand, it does not take long to round up and arrest everyone who would possibly resist a military takeover.

One hopes that reminder is not a prediction of things to come in America. But it is very, very clear that such files exist in this country. And they have been compiled for some purpose. Just what purpose is a question all Americans must ponder.

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## We're Gonna Have a Revolution

by Hugh Nicholson

We are sitting idly at a table, mauling our bagged lunches and each other's egos. It was during our daily venture from the sanctuary of the beloved lounge to the cold world of the cafeteria. Having tired of staring at our bologna sandwiches and each other, we were searching for something else to ridicule and found it in . . . well, there was this, uh, lady . . . someone wearing a blue flowered shift and with unshaved legs who was ambling daintily about the lunch tables with a huge wad of paper under one arm. She stopped at our table. "Wanna buy a newspaper?"

"Aha!" we thought. "A dirty underground college newspaper with filthy stories and lewd cartoons."

"Sure thing!" our spokesman screamed. "Give us two!"

We were very disappointed. The paper offered "all the news that serves the anti-Fascist revolution." It was printed from typewriter-made stencils and it had misspelled words. The banner read: "World's People Support Palestinian Guerrillas."

This People's American Daily News said a lot of things about Red China's ol' fatherly Chairman Mao, and how he would just love to take us away from the criminal Fascist dictatorship that is killing us even if we don't know it. The paper lady wanted to sit down and talk, so we said, "Uh . . . well . . . (shrug) sure. Why don't you sit down?" We

were not sure we wanted to talk to her, but we would not give her the satisfaction of being a social martyr. So, we listened passively as she lovingly fingered her twenty-pound pocketbook and stared glassy-eyed from under a thatch of strawlike hair at the people who were going to learn about the revolution.

"You are oppressed." The quiet voice droned on. "Your futures are held by a few tyrant capitalists who can enslave you by withholding the money that is everything to this country."

"It is bad business of they do. We've founded on good business practices," the agitated capitalistic (continued on page 7)

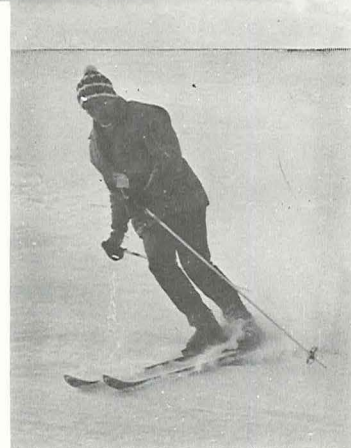


## Hit the Ski Trail

Once again the OSU-Newark Campus is sponsoring a ski outing at Clear Fork, Butler, Ohio. This event is scheduled for Thursday, February 4. The \$7.50 cost includes transportation, equipment, lessons, and ski tow; or, the cost will be \$6.00 if one provides his own equipment. Extra money should be allotted for meals. On Thursday the bus will leave the campus at 3:00 P.M. and return at 12:00 P.M.

The ski trip is open to both students and faculty who are interested in some winter fun. No skiing experience is required for the trip and all are assured of a good time. Last year the school also sponsored a ski outing which was attended and enjoyed by 40 students and faculty. We are happy to report that no casualties were listed.

This year Dr. Meckstroth will once again attend the outing and hopefully several other faculty members will find time to join in the fun. (Rumor has it that some of our lady teachers have been taking lessons on the side.) So, if you are looking for some fun, companionship, and excitement, seriously consider attending the ski outing on Feb. 4.



## The Curtain Goes Up

"The Heiress," the second major theatrical production to be presented at Newark Campus has now gotten under way, under the direction of Dr. Robert Dorrell. The story takes place in New York during the 1850's. Catherine Sloper, a shy, plain, young girl falls desperately in love with a charming young fortune hunter who seemingly is more interested in money than charm. Catherine's father is not fooled by the fortune hunter and forbids the marriage. Even an elopement proposed by Catherine does not materialize, so she retires into a world all her own. But, never fear . . . the fortune happy young man shows up once more and proposes again; Catherine, for the second time, has a chance to wed. Does she?

After holding tryouts for parts on Jan. 20 and 21, Dr. Dorrell chose the following people to cast the play: Earl Harris, Dr. Sloper; Joyce Gordon, Lavinia Penniman; Mary Ann McGonagle, Catherine Sloper; Marilyn Sundin, Elizabeth Almond; Joe Humphreys, Arthur Townsend; Leslie Chittenden, Marian Almond; Dale Ward, Morris Townsend; Sandra Hartman, Mrs. Montgomery; and Margie Shaver, Maria. Ed Sonner will oversee play rehearsals in his position as stage manager and Assistant Director.

"The Heiress" will be presented February 24-27. Tickets can be purchased at the following prices: adults—\$2.00; students and faculty—\$1.25; and for 10 or more the rates will be reduced. Describing his cast as one of "high caliber," Dr. Dorrell anticipates the presentation of another fine performance. Everyone is encouraged to attend "The Heiress" when it comes to the Newark Campus stage.

There is no truth to the rumor that Agnew has recorded "Oh, Taunt 'n' Bomb," a song honoring college students.

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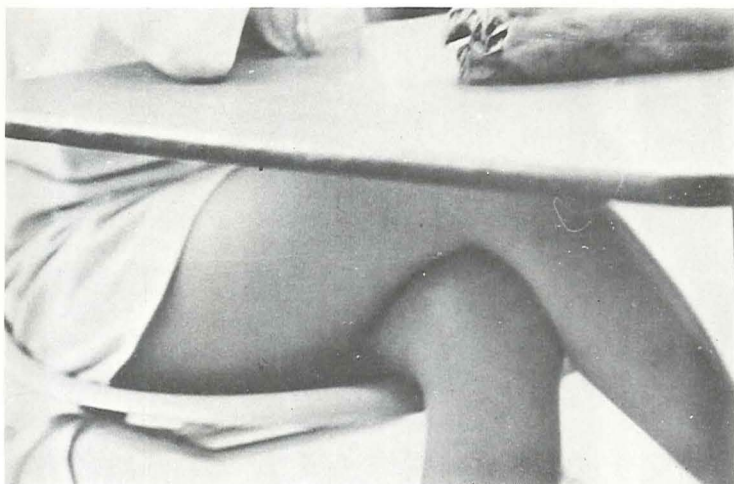
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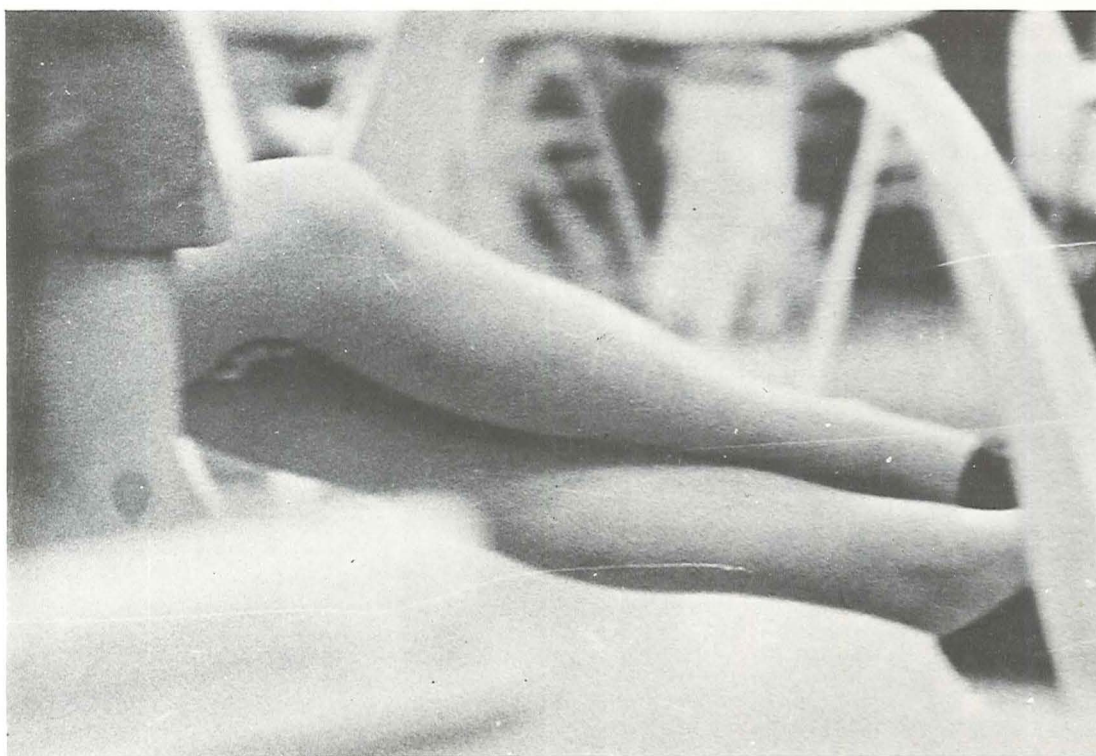
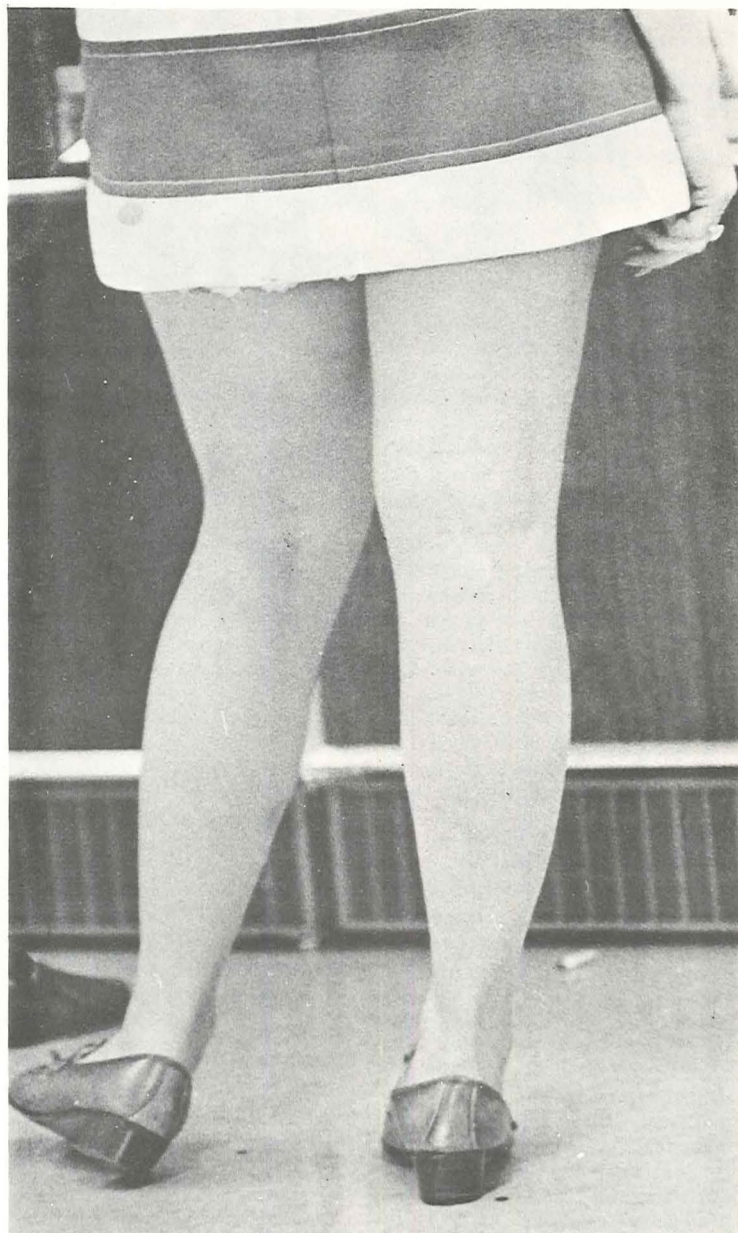




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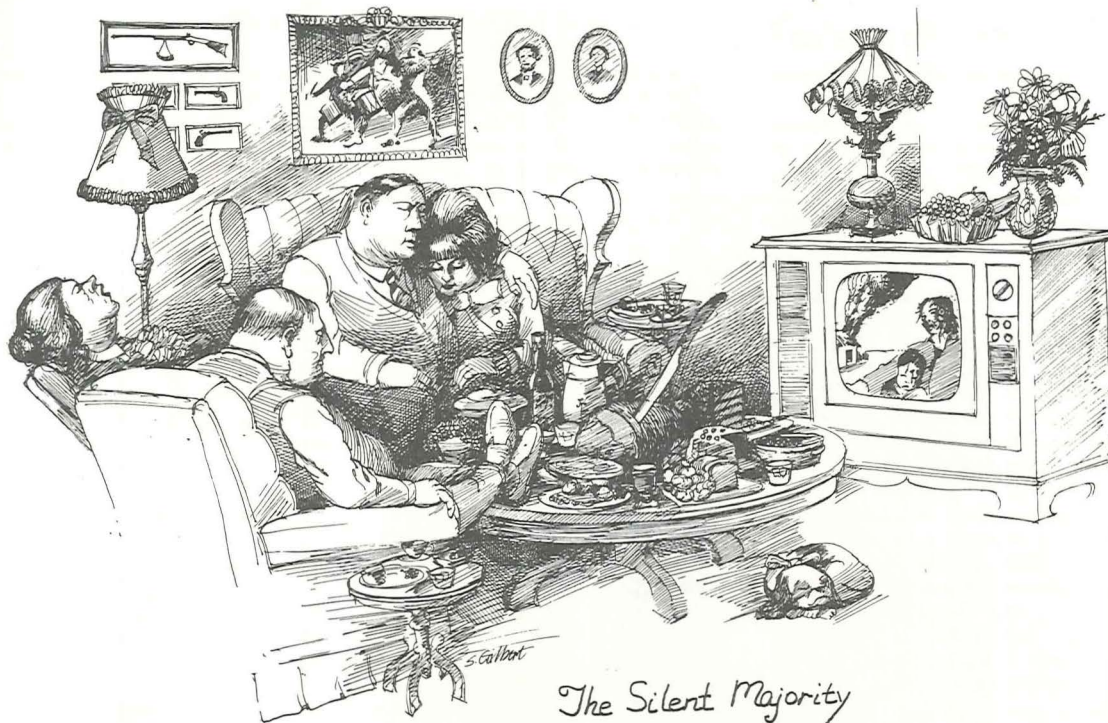
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## RECORD REVIEW

### LOLA vs. POWERMAN & THE MONEYGOROUND

—The Kinks (Reprise)

First "Lola" and now "Apeman." Seems like someone out there is buying 45's. That's just fine, for the Kinks certainly deserve public appreciation — Lord knows they've earned it.

It wasn't so long ago that the Top 40 spurned the Kinks. Their audience lost touch with them, and for a long while Reprise Records kept them under contract out of sympathy, if nothing else. Despite two albums which were bombs ("Something Else" and "Village Green Society") the Kinks persevered until in 1969 they had once more gathered a following in England. The album-TV score "Arthur" was a brilliant piece of work, and now Ray Davies and friends have topped that album with the new "Lola" recording.

The basic Kinks sound is pure and well-defined: clean, bright guitars, little bumpety-bump rhythm, and wonderfully inane vocals. Their music is fairly predictable, but never dull or boringly so, in marked contrast to something like Creedance Clearwater Revival. For the Kinks it's just plain down-to-earth good-times funk music.

The deejays are saying things like "It's sure good to see the Kinks making a comeback, blah blah blah . . ." If the truth were known, this album is no comeback at all. The Kinks have always been around, for the real comeback is being made by the mass audience. God Save The Kinks!

—Buzz Arnold

## FOOTNOTE TO BLACK HISTORY

### DID YOU KNOW:

Blacks sailed with Columbus Balboa, Pizarro, and Cortes.

Thomas Jefferson appointed Benjamin Banneker, a Black, to the three-man commission which planned Washington, D.C.

Crispus Attucks, a Black, was one of the people killed in the Boston Massacre.

There were 5000 Black soldiers in the American Revolution. A Black, James Armistead, served so well as Lafayette's spy that he was granted his freedom.

At the Battle of New Orleans, there were two volunteer battalions of free Blacks.

Black are credited with inventing potato chips, ice cream, golf tees, the player piano, the gas mask, and the traffic light.

from "Let's Set Black History Straight—  
An Interview with William Loren Katz"  
*Reader's Digest*, July, '69

### (BLANCHE, continued)

certainly not overcrowded now.

To work as a tutor is a rewarding experience for the student. The basement of that dingy old church provides a place for college students and little Black children to communicate and learn from each other. Dr. Coats sees the real progress as coming from the "big kids." As one student told him, she can now see Black people as people. Psychology students are using the experience as part of their tutoring requirement. All students going become more sensitive to the conditions around them and more willing to help others.

Any student interested in the tutoring program may contact Dr. Coats, Mr. Noll, or any of the tutors. People from the community are also encouraged to inquire as it is not necessary to be a student to become involved.

## 4-H Plans Nature Trail

Holding their first meeting of Winter Quarter on January 11, the University 4-H Club discussed many new social and work projects for the quarter. First on the agenda was the nomination of officers for the rest of the year. Elections are to be held at their next meeting.

Mr. Jezerinac reported that as soon as approval was received from the owners of the Newark Campus leased land, a Nature Trail would come under construction. 4-H members enthusiastically volunteered to help with the project. The club also decided to help put posters at the shopping centers to advertise the Ten Evenings on Campus program featuring Carlos Montoya. The 4-H was to put up their signs at the Southgate Shopping Center.

The 4-H Club members have finally entered the competitive race for first place in the Bowling Intramural League. Members form the club who are bowling in the league are Irvalee Varner, Sue Kilpatrick, Stan Romine, Kathy Strohl, and Keith Raines. An ice skating party at the OSU main campus rink was discussed, and a committee headed by Pam Stockberger was to look into the possibilities. Since the square dance held on Jan. 9 was a huge success, the club is thinking of having another dance sometime in the future.

With the ending of Winter Quarter, the University 4-H Club will see the departure of several of its older members, as they head for the main campus. It is hoped that more interested and enthusiastic students attending Newark Campus will join the organization to help fill the vacancies.

## The New Question

To inflate, or not to inflate, that is the Democratic question:  
Whether it's nobler in the minds to suffer  
The slings and arrows of southern politicians,  
Or to take up inflation against a sea of economists,  
And by opposing, end them. To expand, to inflate;  
To inflate perchance to dream: aye, there's the rub;  
For in that sleep of inflation what dreams may come,  
Puzzle the will, and make us doubtful whether to bear those  
those ills we have  
Than fly to others we know not of.

—Will Rogers

The Oracle desperately needs a sportswriter! Immediately. Interested persons should inquire in the Oracle office. Possibility of sports editorship to qualified applicant.



## SCOOP!

### GREAT NEW COURSES

Great News! Next quarter two new courses will be added to our curriculum. Due to violent student demands, the university has finally consented to add two courses designed with the student in mind: R&I 101 and R&P 102. Many long days have the students fought for these courses; finally they've won. This marks a new era in student-university relations. Now, possibly, the students can accomplish some of their other goals: Peace-Love-Freedom-Happiness. The instructors will be those two world famous experts Eldridge Cleat and Mark Mudd. With Riot and Insurrection 101 and Rape and Pillage 102 the students will learn in the lab the proper techniques and methods; not those half-baked word of mouth methods distributed in those dirty-hippy-commie-fascist underground magazines. Freedom Forever!

### Browse Around

"I think it would be wonderful to have a reading and browsing table set aside for students looking for good pleasure reading," stated Miss Jenkins as she discussed the possibilities of arranging for such a section in the library here at Newark Campus. Miss Jenkins remarked that certain books would be set aside and made available specifically for this purpose, provided the idea was well-responded to and funds made accessible.

Since the matter of getting funds for such a project are still indefinite, the idea of letting students take on a little initiative and help the project out has been suggested. It was felt that possibly students would like to donate any good reading material they might have and like to share with others. Any books donated for this pleasure reading collection would be highly appreciated; besides books donated would more than likely be pleasurable reading material since someone would have evidently read it and thought highly enough of it to donate it. Whether students donated the books on a temporary or permanent basis could be worked out with Miss Jenkins and her staff. Perhaps the various organizations at Newark Campus would be interested in getting their members together and discuss the possibility of donating books to the pleasure and browsing collection of material under discussion as an organization. Alpha Pi Epsilon sorority and Phi Alpha Beta fraternity annually donate money to the library, so how about some of the other organizations helping by having an all-out book donation campaign?

## Tennis, Anyone?

All "luv'ers please take note: Arrangements are being made for the organization of the Newark Campus Tennis Squad, under the coaching staff of Dr. Wilma Meckstroth and Mr. John Looman. Anyone wishing to play tennis may contact either of the coaches. Mr. Looman can be found in his office 2042. Dr. Meckstroth may be reached either at her office 2044 or in the Chemistry Lab from 9:30-11 or 1:30-4:30 on lab days, particularly on Feb. 4.

Last year's tennis team concluded their season of matches with an admirable standing; this year should promise top-notch records as well. Should interested persons be unable to get in touch with either of the coaches, they can express their desires to try out for the team to Steve Ballmann, Ed Greer, Carolyn McWhorter, or Kathy Strohl. Practices for Spring Quarter play will most likely begin during the Winter Quarter break, to allow for ample conditioning before the matches commence.

### (NEW ENGLAND continued)

ting in the wooden pew of the small white country church. Again, Dr. Ludwigson revealed the beauty of the winter wonderland of New England as he showed scenes of snow-laden cottages, icicles hanging from mountain rocks, crystal clear streams babbling along despite their snowy, icy surroundings. Spring came to life on the screen as trees burst forth their green leaves, and the birds began to chirp and sing in the hills and countryside.

New England is indeed a most scenic and historic place. For those who may never have actually gone there, Dr. Ludwigson took them there . . . everywhere . . . all over the New England territory with his brilliant and informative presentation. Those who attended can only thank Dr. Ludwigson for a most delightful journey; those who were not so fortunate as to be able to come will never know how much they have missed.

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## (THE UPCOMING REVOLUTION, continued)

me mumbled.

"America is imperialistically controlling the world," the voice kept saying. (And for a resume of the harangue on America's economic aggression, please refer to Travers' talk last fall in the lounge.)

The table was empty now, but for two desperate people frantically heaving great harmless gobs of Marxist idealism and American apple pie at each other.

After regurgitating my good ol' American view of imperialistic aggression, she said something about the distortion of the Fascist press, and I said something about not believing everything she heard and why should I believe her. (I braced my poorly-maintained Fascist-fed body for the onslaught of a justly heaved people's pocketbook on or about my thick reactionary head.) But the impassive, slate-colored eyes stared into space as the voice returned to the first arguments, and I had time to search through my infinite accumulation of wisdom for a devastating argument to confound her philosophy and bring her, cowed and grateful, to our side. (Whatever that is.) As usual, finding nothing, I asked stupid questions:

"All right, there's going to be a real live revolution. Who wins?"

"The people do."

"Who's the people, The fruit-pickers, the Black Separatists, the white separatists (segregationists), the klansmen, the unions, the West Virginians? There are a lot of revolutions just itching for the chance to declare all-out war on America, and they know America is everyone else. The revolution, if it comes, will mean war on everyone who is warring on everybody who is warring on everybody who has a gripe because he's not realizing his American dream. It looks like a gummy answer to the population problem, but that's all."

"Who's going to be your leader?" By this time, I really wanted to feel that twenty-pound pocket-book hit me. She'd get the table.

"Oh, the revolution will produce a leader," she said faithfully.

"How do you know he'll serve the revolution and not himself? There must be lots of people who would like to be a leader of a big place like America, just for the fun of it."

"Oh, we'll know whether he is a fake."

"What if he is a good liar?"

"Oh, we'll know."

"How in #&@%\$?"

For at least the third time we went back to farmers being robbed blind by the people who don't really sell Frosty-O's in competition against Froot-loops, and banks that could starve us to death, and unemployed people rising up against the waspish puppet government. At last I rationalized that

she was just a robot monster sent to torture me. I couldn't fight a machine with its needle stuck, so I listened. "It's part of a Communist plot," I mused.

"Good heavens, it is a Communist plot," I screamed.

"It's all part of a Communist plot," she was saying. "We're gonna be properly Socialized." And she believed it, and I think I did, and I had a headache. Gazing calmly at the watch vibrating on my wrist, I hastily formulated a graceful excuse to be excused: "Er . . . uh . . . how long have we been talking? Er . . . uh . . . Bye!"

"I'd like to talk to you again."

"Uh . . . sure."

I did have to go, and she did not have anything new to say, and I needed time to think.

"My first revolutionary," I thought, suppressing a horribly uncool scream.

All right, there's going to be a revolution, and we're gonna kill each other off and find happiness and salvation in the bosom of Chairman Mao forever, amen. It was coming to that anyway. We've become so involved in cornering the world's market we can't see the corner we've painted ourselves into.

How do the reactionaries combat the revolution? We're killing ourselves by bleeding the land dry, but student protesters haven't found an effective voice against the Establishment because they are hypocrites. Students are hypocrites when they hate the imperialistic society and still covet a '71 GTX something-or-the-other that retails for four thousand dollars and gets four-to-six miles per gallon of golden Boron. That's self-imposed slavery for the rock-throwers. Rock throwing is fun, sure, but you can't drink beer and iced tea from aluminum cans and say, "The Establishment is killing us." America identifies with the young; 18-25 makes it, sets trends, but above all demands. Youngmobiles, Pepsi, Grapenuts all pander to "those who think young." Industry is making it very convenient to be "young" (irresponsible), and when someone invents a new way to package hot dogs in jet-age plastic, we love it.

We "young" people move around a lot because we are "escaping our humdrum homelife in the cities and suburbs." To do so we need portable foods in paper and aluminum, a camper, as well as our two cars (a luxury car and a commuting car — whatever that is), a boat with a thirty horsepower motor, and reservoirs to put them in, and it's all bought with money we worked harder to get because we need more "fun" stuff to make us more relaxed when we are not working harder (continued on page 8)



## (TOLKIEN: GOOD &amp; EVIL, continued)

world was changed."<sup>4</sup>

If a comparison is to be made, then this force, the One, must be symbolic of God.<sup>5</sup> Next come the emissaries of God. The first to be looked for, of course, is Christ; But it would be presumptuous to say that Tolkien has drawn direct allegory from the Christian religion and Tolkien, himself, has said that there is no allegory in *Trilogy*.<sup>6</sup> But then when asked about Gandalf's position in the story by Edmund Fuller, he replied: "Gandalf is an angel."<sup>7</sup>

There is, to a degree, a Christ figure in the story. Actually it's split between two characters: Gandalf with his temptation of the Ring and resurrection at Moria, and Frodo the Ring-bearer, a type of Cross-bearer. Taken alone or together, neither is really a Christ figure but more of a pre-Christ anticipation.<sup>8</sup> And, as Tolkien says, Gandalf also symbolizes an angel.

On the opposite end of the scale is the pure evil, the Christian devil. Again, Tolkien doesn't reveal the exact being but just hints at the pure evil while illustrating widely his helpers: "Always after a defeat and a respite, the Shadow takes another shape and grows again."<sup>9</sup> This is the only form by which Tolkien refers to the prime source of evil. Throughout most of the books he concentrates on Sauron as the prime source of evil; but actually Sauron is only a servant or emissary of it: "Other evils there are that may come; for Sauron is himself but a servant or emissary."<sup>10</sup> Along with Sauron as a source of evil is the One Ring, Sauron's ancient creation. Created many centuries in the past, the Ring holds a great part of Sauron's evil power and is essentially an extension of him.<sup>11</sup> The best illustration of this is the downfall of Gollum. Once a good Hobbit-like creature named Smeagol, he found the ring and turned into the monstrous creature called Gollum.

Symbolic of the Christian devil, Sauron has not always been evil; as in Christian theology, he is a fallen angel.

It is clear from the nature and power of Sauron — not always evil, but become so, and not himself the greatest of his kind — that he is a type of the fallen Angels.<sup>12</sup>

All of the evil in the trilogy was once good. Tolkien uses the Christian parallel that evil is perverted good:

... so in Tolkien's vision nothing is created evil. Evil is good that has been perverted. Gandalf tells us that even Sauron had to fall from goodness.<sup>14</sup>

Once goodness becomes evil it tends to try to turn anything near that is good, evil. The evil of

Tolkien's creations is probably the worst of any evil imaginable. It is totally bad:

... the kind of Evil which Sauron embodies, the lust for domination, will always be irrationally cruel since it is not satisfied if another does what it wants; he must be made to do it against his will.<sup>15</sup>

Prolonged contact with this horrible evil destroys the original good in whatever shape it might have been. For example, there are the Nazgul, the faceless Black Riders. Once they were good kings, who were fair and just to their peoples. They fell under Sauron's evil power via the nine (evil) rings for mortal men controlled by the One Ring. The Nazgul faded into physical nothingness because of their devotion to evil and exist only as spirits of pure evil.<sup>16</sup>

But lo! the mantle and hauberks were empty. Shapeless they lay now on the ground, torn and tumbled, and a cry went up into the shuddering air, and faded into a shrill wailing, passing with the wind a voice bolileless and thin that died, and was swallowed up and never was heard again in that age of this world.<sup>17</sup>

Sauron's power of evil affects everyone in Middle Earth, granting no immunities. It affects even Saruman, the head of the White Council of wizards, the most powerful force for good in Middle Earth. Saruman succumbs to Sauron's evil power and turns evil. One group illustrating this lack of immunity especially well is the Fellowship:

Sauron's power of evil affects all free peoples, and the fellowship that rides out against him is comprised of representative of the free peoples.<sup>18</sup>

The source of good and evil in Middle Earth are relatively balanced. For every evil Tolkien reveals he has a corresponding good. In rough sequence there is Sauron and Gandalf; Gollum and Frodo; Steward of Minas Tirith and Aragorn; Orcs and Elves; and Trolls and Dwarves.<sup>19</sup>

This balance extends in numbers only. In actual power, evil has much more than good does. The Power of Evil is immense, formidable, and ruthless.<sup>20</sup> However, though the strength of the evil in Middle Earth outweighs that of the good many times, the evil will never win out. This is because the strength of evil is recognized by the servants of good in Middle Earth, which is something evil cannot do. Gandalf says: "I am Gandalf the White, but Black is mightier still."<sup>21</sup>

This one point of recognizing your opponent's power is one of

vast significance. Good constantly knows the temptations of evil; but by the nature of evil, evil is not tempted by good.<sup>22</sup> Good, because of its susceptibility to evil, can recognize and predict the strength and actions of evil. Evil, on the other hand, cannot do this. The corruption of evil is so complete that once good has become evil, there is no turning back; thus evil cannot predict the strength and actions of good:

The Enemy has lost the Good forever: this is a part of their corruption that works against Sauron and his ilk and saves the wreck Gollum for a time for he still remembers furtively the Good.<sup>23</sup>

In Sauron's very nature, he is incapable of anticipating the policy adopted by his enemies.<sup>24</sup>

Simply, it can be said that the evil always under estimates the good.<sup>25</sup>

Due to its very nature, the nastiness of evil is self-destroying. This is especially evident when evil deals with itself:

... all alliances of Evil with Evil are necessarily unstable and untrustworthy since by definition Evil loves only itself and its alliances are based on fear or hope of profit not an affection.<sup>26</sup>

Although Sauron's greatest triumph was achievement of getting Saruman to turn traitor to the cause of good, it was not quite complete. Sauron's control over Saruman was based upon Saruman's greed and not upon fear of domination; thus Sauron had not been able to get Saruman completely enslaved. Because of this lack of control Saruman, although traitor to good, was working against Sauron for control of the Ring.

These inherent imperfections in evil ultimately led to the destruction of the evil forces in Middle Earth by the forces of good.

Tolkien interrelates all these facets of good and evil together with a masterfulness few have achieved. He relates the origins of good and evil to the spread of both and the dominion of one over the other. Finally he shows how evil, although much stronger than good, loses out to good in the end. Curiously enough, with no mention of a deity or a religion, Tolkien includes in the trilogy all of the necessary materials for a religion.<sup>27</sup> In conclusion, no matter how much or what is written about *The Lord of the Rings*, the only way to really understand and appreciate Tolkien's skillfulness with the interrelationships is to read and reread it.

<sup>1</sup>Neil C. Isaacs and Rose A. Zimbardo, editor, Tolkien and the Critics, W. H. Auden, "The Quest Hero," pp. 40-61. <sup>2</sup>Ibid., Patricia Meyer Spacks, "Power and Meaning is The Lord of the Rings, pp. 82.

<sup>3</sup>J. R. R. Tolkien, *The Lord of the Rings*, Vol. I p. 88.

<sup>4</sup>Ibid., Appendix A. p. 393.

<sup>5</sup>Jared C. Lobdell, "Good and Evil for Men and Hobbits, *National Review*, Vol. XXI, No. 23, June 17, 1969, p. 605.

<sup>6</sup>Tolkien, op. cit., Vol., p. X.

<sup>7</sup>Isaacs and Zimbardo, op. cit., Edmund Fuller, "The Lord of the Hobbits" p. 35. <sup>8</sup>Ibid.

<sup>9</sup>Tolkien, op. cit., Vol. I., p. 82.

<sup>10</sup>Ibid., Vol. III, p. 190.

<sup>11</sup>Isaacs and Zimbardo, Fuller, op. cit., p. 34.

<sup>12</sup>Isaacs and Zimbardo, op. cit., Rose A. Zimbardo, "Moral Vision in The Lord of the Rings," p. 105.

<sup>13</sup>Isaacs and Zimbardo, Auden, op. cit., p. 57.

<sup>14</sup>Isaacs and Zimbardo, Spacks, op. cit., p. 87.

<sup>15</sup>Tolkien, op. cit., Vol. III, p. 143.

<sup>16</sup>Richard Roos, S.J., "Middle Earth in the Classroom: Studying J. R. R. Tolkien," *English Journal*, Vol. 58, No. 8, November 1969, p. 1185.

<sup>17</sup>William Ready, *Understanding Tolkien and The Lord of the Rings*, p. 94.

<sup>18</sup>Isaacs and Zimbardo, Fuller, op. cit., pp. 21, 24.

<sup>19</sup>Isaacs and Zimbardo, Auden, op. cit., p. 57.

<sup>20</sup>Isaacs Tolkien, op. cit., Vol. II p. 132.

<sup>21</sup>William Ready, op. cit., p. 69.

<sup>22</sup>Isaacs and Zimbardo, Fuller, op. cit., p. 28.

<sup>23</sup>William Ready, lc. cit.

<sup>24</sup>Isaacs and Zimbardo, Auden, op. cit., p. 58.

<sup>25</sup>Isaacs and Zimbardo, Spacks, op. cit., p. 88.

## (REVOLUTION continued)

and harder to make more and more to get more fun out of life. \$#@%& We love it. We demand it. We'll enjoy life if it kills us, and the land has promised it will kill our "young" country in retaliation.

People are watching America. When South America or the African nations can finally manage to produce their own "fun stuff" and "raise" their standard of living to ours, the earth will wither quickly in the stagnant pool of gasoline fume impregnated air; sulfur-filled rivers will find their way to a dying sea. We may eventually attempt a clean up, but we won't escape a stagnant sea made by the world we taught to die.

In an oblique fashion, the revolution would end all this by providing an eventual discipline that we've forgotten. For now the cry is "Stop before it's too late," while the sentiment is "Get it while you can."

I'm glad I talked to a revolutionary because, frankly, she scared the \$#@% out of me.

But somehow, there is no foothold for a revolution if we've got a future. We're living now as intensely as we can. We're impaling ourselves on our own tools of self-gratification, clamouring for a change, but just hoping it will come like all magical things come — but we don't really want it badly enough to give up our toys.

We really need a revolution, despite its bleak potentials. It can be of minds, but I think there will be blood.

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